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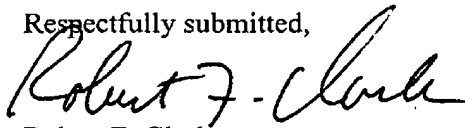
REMARKS

The holding of abandonment in this case has been withdrawn per the notice mailed to the Applicants on February 17, 2006.

In accordance with the Office Action mailed 12/30/2003 (but not received by the Applicants), the Applicants have canceled claims 10-17 and 23-28. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation of claim 6 and claims 6 and 8-9 have been canceled as a result.

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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